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## MR. BOWNE BADLY HURT

Sam Bowne, Jr., of Centralia, while returning from Columbia last Thursday in his automobile undertook to turn a corner sharply four miles south of Centralia and his machine turned over with him and he was caught under it. His right arm was broken, he suffered internal injuries of the chest and his face was badly scalded by water from the radiator. At last reports he was resting as well as could be hoped for.

### RUSH HILL ITEMS

Fine weather. Warm, bright days, cool, moonlight nights, and roads dry and smooth. Yet some think it too warm and are wishing for more frost and cooler weather, while others say they were not ready for the frost we have had. It all goes to prove that "Mike, The Duck," was about right when he said,—"Mankind mostly is a fool. When it is hot he wants it cool. When it is cool he wants it hot. Always wishing for what is not."

Henry Kammameyer and family of Molino visited Mr. Clarence Smallwood and family Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Kammameyers at one time lived in these parts, and we are always glad to have them come back.

Geo. Coakley had a veterinary from Mexico last Saturday to treat one of his driving horses. Mrs. Chas. Maxwell and Miss Florence Snook of Rush Hill spent one day last week with Mrs. Geo. Maxwell near Ladonia. Miss Grace Beahr was shopping in Mexico Friday.

Rev. Campbell preached here Sunday and Sunday night. His first sermon, the beginning of his third year here. Miss Helen Miller spent Sunday with Miss Laura Maxwell. Miss Jackson of near Mexico is visiting friends here.

### OAKLAND STOCK FARM

Joe Quinlan will sow 60 acres more of wheat. Joe has 80 head of hogs he is feeding his corn to. James Sneed and family of Olivet neighborhood spent Sunday with F. T. Harris and family. Frank S. Summers came home the 17th and visited with his home folks until the 19th. This is Frank's second year at Fayette. Carl Dillard and wife and children came from Kansas City the middle of October and spent a week visiting friends and relatives. While here they with Mrs. Gus Dillard and son, Rodes, visited F. T. Harris and family.

John Holtkamp and Fritz Gheifer went to Iowa to work, recently. Frank Summer's uncle and aunt, Cliff Harris and wife, motored over to Columbia Sunday. They then went on out in the country to Albert Selby's, returning home Sunday evening. Rev. Neighbors is holding a meeting at Groves Chapel.

### BURKE ITEMS

C. C. Lawrence went to Portland, Mo., to visit his daughter, Friday. Spencer Davidson is absent from school this week. V. Rodeau made a business trip to Fulton Monday. A pie supper was held at Concord Saturday night. Jack Willingham visited homefolks Sunday. Fall plowing and corn gathering is being pushed rapidly. Mr. Gholson's family has moved from our neighborhood.

D. D. Dudley who has been very ill is recovering all right.

## Some Views and Interviews

Mrs. Champ Clark: I once taught school at Martinsburg. John Pike, the postmaster now of that town, remembers it. I came to Mexico to take an examination for teacher's certificate. I had a case of stage fright, I suppose you might call it; my heart was in my throat. John P. Gass, was County School Commissioner. He looked over my grades from the school at home and my, how he relieved my anxious breast when he told me I would not have to take the test. The dread was over. George Bowman, Jack Hayden and Howard A. Gass were noted teachers in Audrain at that time.

C. O. Allen: I am located down toward Benton City from Mexico. After my sale on the 12th inst. I expect to move back to Iowa—near Webster City, that State. My father was the first white child born in the county, in that territory. Father when he grew up moved to Kansas and I was born in the Sunflower State. When I became a man I tried Oklahoma and then I came to Missouri. Now I'm going to try dad's country. Hope I'll be satisfied up there. They have good soil and always raise good crops.

Dr. J. F. McWilliams: Mrs. McWilliams is back home from spending the summer months in California and I am happy. She visited many former Missourians out there, among them Will H. Morris and family. Will often looks back with longing for Mexico and old Audrain county. Say, what is this I see Teddy Roosevelt is getting off in the papers about his having seen plans of certain warring nations in Europe to bombard and capture New York and San Francisco and hold them as ransoms? Teddy is always "spilling for a fight." He and Kissing Hobson ought to be yoked together.

Clayton Kendall: I came in from Durant, Okla., last week to visit relatives and friends in Audrain. I am with my brother, Verner Kendall, in the clothing business at Durant. There is cotton, cotton, cotton everywhere in Durant, in warehouses and yards, but no money. It's a bad condition. The banks are loaning no money. But I guess it's even worse "Way Down South in Dixie."

W. Clyde Johnson: I visited 23 schools last week. Miss Lola Spencer at Dye had a fine display of school work and agricultural products. Farber school was arranging a splendid display for the exhibits in Mexico this week. Prairie Mound will also have an exhibit here. The pupils of this school have constructed a model farm. Great interest in the work in all the schools I visited.

C. B. Lyman: What do I think of the automobile? It's the greatest thing that ever came to us. When you want to get there it will take you, and that in quick time. It saves the horse.

Rev. J. H. Coil of Perry, a brother of Dr. P. E. Coil of Mexico and of W. U. Coil of Ladonia, has accepted a call from the Christian Church at New Philadelphia, Ohio, and will become its pastor. Bro. Coil is a bright young preacher. He served five years as pastor of the Perry Christian Church and that congregation and the whole community of Perry is very loth to have him and his good family leave them.

## HOLTERMAN-DAVIS NUPTIALS

Mr. Henry F. Holterman of Martinsburg and Miss Mayme S. Davis of near this city were married at the Ringo Hotel in Mexico Wednesday of last week. Rev. H. B. Culbertson officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Holterman will reside at Martinsburg. They are a popular young couple. Our congratulations and best wishes extended them.

Mrs. Holterman is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Hord Davis. She returned some months since from a year spent at Colorado Springs. The groom is one of Martinsburg's hustling young business men and has a host of friends in that locality. Again our best wishes extended them.

### MR. HUFMAN DROWNED

David Huffman, uncle to Mrs. Frank Harris and Mrs. Gus Dillard, of near Mexico, left his home October 19th. His friends knew nothing of his whereabouts. The following Monday his wife received a telegram from Florida, stating he had been drowned in St. John's River. His friends think he had a sum of money with him. His body and watch were shipped back to Staunton, Virginia, his home. It cost his wife \$125 to have the body sent back to Staunton. He was 82 years old. There is a mystery surrounding the case, as he was not in the habit of leaving home without telling his wife.

### A Surprise Dinner.

Sunday, Oct. 25, there was preaching at New Providence church on Cuivre. After morning service some people drove into the wide open gate at Bert Frisbie's. Mrs. Frisbie began to be alarmed about dinner but, as they continued to come, a light began to dawn. It was her birthday and every buggy contained a big basket of good things to eat. As a surprise party it was a genuine success.

Those who have been so fortunate as to enjoy one of these country dinners needs no description. Sufficient to say it was up to the Audrain county standard; after nearly fifty had eaten the supply showed no signs of giving out. Another surprise was the presence of R. T. Steele, whose birthday is the same date as that of Mrs. Frisbie's. For years Mr. Steele was a neighbor of the Frisbie's and he and Mrs. Frisbie often celebrated their birthday together. After Mr. Steele sold his farm he made his home with a daughter in Mobile, Ala. He visited his other children this summer and so timed his journey to Kansas City that he could drop off and celebrate his eightieth birthday with his youngest neighbor.

### From Montana

Creston, Mont., Oct. 13, '14. Mr. Beal, Editor and Friend: Please excuse carelessness and neglect, but of course that is always the plea of an old back, but always the old adage, "Better late than never." So, as the old negro woman said, "Heah is yo' dollah fo' a' nother year discription to yo' valuable paper." Send it along, and best wishes to you.

F. T. Campbell.

Mrs. B. A. Thornburgh underwent an operation at the Mexico Hospital last week. She is getting along nicely.

### MISS TAYLOR DEAD

Passes Away at the Home of Her Mother in This City

Miss Jane Taylor, 24 years old, youngest daughter of Mr. Isaac Taylor, died early last Friday morning. The funeral was held at the home Saturday morning, conducted by her pastor, Rev. S. W. Hayne of the Methodist church, interment in Elmwood.

Miss Taylor was born in Fulton and for the past ten years had lived in Mexico. She was a sweet Christian character and her death has saddened the hearts of many friends. She was a member of the Methodist church of the D. A. R. and of Fitzhugh Lee Chapter U. D. C. Besides the mother the following brothers and sisters survive her: W. E. Taylor, Jefferson City; George L. Taylor, Guthrie; John Taylor, Auxvasse; Dr. Herbert and James T. Taylor, St. Louis; and Mrs. J. C. King and Miss Beulah Taylor, of Mexico. All were at her bedside when she passed away.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Washington school three miles south of Mexico, had entertainment and supper afternoon and evening Oct. 23. Address by eight pupils. Recitation, Tommy's Prayer, by Margaret Rutter. Wreath Drill by Rutter Sisters. "Dat Watermelon" by Wallace Hobbs. Song by Strobe Edwards. Songs by the school. "The Country School" and "Catch the Sunshine." Confidences, by James Rutter; Tableau, "How are You," Wallace Hobbs and Doris Hamilton. Pantomime, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," Mildred Rutter. "Helps in sewing," by Anna Hamilton. Messrs. Cole Edwards, George Bise and Luke Edwards assisted in music. Cream, candy, popcorn and pies and a box were sold. The \$13.74 cleared will be spent toward getting a jacket for the stove.

Teacher, Edna Jamiss.

The ladies of Mexico were out in gala attire Wednesday afternoon to attend the tea given by Mrs. L. B. Hawthorne for her guest, Mrs. Howard Bailey of St. Louis. Mesdames Howe, Taylor and Craddock and Mrs. Talbot of Moberly received with Mrs. Hawthorne. Mesdames Claybrook, Dearing, Wilkins and Robert Arnold introduced the guests. Mes. F. R. Sanford and R. R. Arnold presided in the serving of an elaborate salad course and ices. The dominant feature of the beautifully decorated dining room was a large table center of pink roses and ferns with pink shaded cut-glass candelabra. Here Mesdames Wilkins, Brett, Wilson and Morris served coffee with cakes and bonbons. Music and the delightful mingling of friends added to make this large gathering a pleasant memory to all who were present.

A popular young couple of Union Chapel neighborhood, Mr. Roy M. Kettle, son of Ezra Kettle, and Miss Nannie J. Walker were married Tuesday at eleven a.m. at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. E. S. Gibbs. They will live on the farm in their home neighborhood. The Message extends congratulations.

Mrs. Rachel Powell, north of Mexico, who is quite aged, is much better from a stroke of paralysis she suffered about four weeks since.

### NORTH MOLINO

Lovely autumn weather. Miss Fannie Edge was called by wire last week to Cushman, Okla. Her sister, Mrs. Jas. Parmer, is critically ill of typhoid fever.

Dr. S. P. Miller and family of Macon came over in an auto and spent Saturday with Mr. Miller's cousin, Mrs. John Gorrell. On Sunday they went to his uncle's, Mr. Joe Miller, and was met by several of his cousins—Mr. R. L. Miller and family and Mrs. Lena Hall and daughter, Miss Etta, Mr. and Mrs. John Gorrell and wife and daughter, Glessie May, who came with well filled baskets. All ate a hearty dinner, spent a very pleasant day, and about 3 o'clock each started for home, wishing the Doctor and his family might come again soon. Almer Mundy sold two calves to Chester Daniel for \$40.

The spelling match and pie supper at Berea school house was quite a success. Clyde Ellis and John Cauthorn were chosen as captains and chose sides. Cauthorn's side won on the word "chrysalis". Fourteen pies were sold. The highest sold brought \$1.50; the lowest 50 cents; total sale, \$12. The money will be used for school supplies and library. The school house was very beautifully decorated in Autumn leaves and jack o' lanterns made of pumpkins. John Ellis was auctioneer. There will be a box supper at Fisher school Saturday night, Nov. 21. Come, girls, and bring a nice big box. The boys will be hungry by that time.

The spooks got in some ugly work Saturday night, tearing down fences, changing the wheels on rigs and hiding them. Some of them have not yet been found. Sometimes folks are carried too far.

Mr. Jacob Llewellyn and Miss Clara Criger were very quietly married at the home of the bride's mother last Wednesday evening. Clara is a good girl. We wish both much happiness through the rugged road of life.

Mrs. Emelia Mallinckrodt, of St. Charles, after a visit to her cousin, G. T. Schieff, for some time, returned to her home last Sunday. Park Rodgers, of Santa Fe, was kicked by a horse recently, and was unconscious for some time, but fortunately his limb was not broken, as was first thought. Mr. and Mrs. Felix Martin, of Molino, spent last Sunday at G. T. Schieff's.

### From Mrs. Hickman

Boonville, Mo., Oct. 5, '14. Mr. John Beal, Dear Sir:—Enclosed you will find one dollar for my renewal to your paper.

We had only an average crop in the Missouri River bottom this year. We are sowing 500 acres of wheat this fall, that is, the renters on the place are. My husband gets one-half in the sack. I raised quite a number of chickens this year, about 700 or 800. Am almost through putting up fruit. Have 330 quarts of peaches, and quite a quantity of other fruits. Best wishes for the Message.

Mrs. S. L. Hickam,

(Nee) Myrtie Sumner.

Mrs. Wm. Skinner, northwest of Thompson, died in the hospital at Fulton last Sunday. The husband and two brothers survive her. The funeral and burial was at Liberty Monday. Our sympathy extended the bereaved ones.

J. E. Blum stepped on a nail last week which cut through the sole of his shoe and plowed deeply into his foot.

### HIGH HILL DISTRICT

Beautiful weather. L. L. Spencer sold four fine hogs to a man from Scotland county.

Mrs. J. A. Miller moved to Columbia last week. They were good neighbors and we shall miss them. Elmer Puls and Mr. White and their two boys finished cutting cane for B. F. Puls recently. Willie Edwards hauled coal from Stephens Store last week.

The writer attended Steve Todd's sale. Things sold very well. He is intending to move about 30 miles this side of Kansas City and is going into the poultry business. Sorry Steve cannot stay in Audrain. He is a good fellow. We wish him success wherever he goes.

Bill Wilmot's sister, Miss Dora Rosser, is visiting him. She lives at a distance, motored here. B. F. Puls and wife visited their son and family in Centralia Sunday.

Mrs. Merrideth visited her old home near Gant last week. Lee Mayes and wife of Centralia visited Elmer Shock and family lately. Miss Ethel McCowen visited Marie and Sarah Sims last week. Miss Lena Sellers was in Centralia last week having her teeth worked on. Edgar Sims and partner cut cane for J. O. Sims one day last week. Bob Flynt surely is warm natured. He must be hunting a cooler climate, for he goes north every Sunday evening. C. E. Sellers has a sick cow.

Protracted meeting going on at Groves Chapel Methodist church. Noll Edwards and wife and boy of Columbia have been here visiting home folks recently.

### Views of a Great American.

(West Chester Pa. Star.)

Champ Clark, Speaker of the house of Representatives, unquestionably one of our great men whose opinions upon public questions are always worthy of the highest consideration, expresses himself as confident that the European war will result in making this country commercially independent of Europe, since American manufacturers will be forced to supply those products previously left to foreign makers. Dye stuffs and high-grade cutlery are two of the most important lines being undertaken at the present time, he says. The war has given the United States a greater stimulus toward grasping the South American situation. By sending salesmen who speak the languages used by South Americans into that section of the world, and by seeing that they get the utmost co-operation of our consuls, diplomats and banking interests, there is no reason why we should not grasp the bulk of their commerce and hold it for all time.

In discussing the war, he said the administration meant to keep its hands off to the last letter. Europe intends to fight to a finish as long as provisions and ammunition hold out. When one side has succeeded in wearing the other out, the United States may be called upon to mediate. Until then we shall observe the strictest neutrality.

Mr. J. W. McVey of Ladonia and Miss Hazel M. Boyd of Louisiana were married in Mexico last Saturday by Rev. J. D. Greer.

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